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MEMORANDUM FOR: Task Force 16 Members

SUBJECT: A Summary of Our Thinking So Far

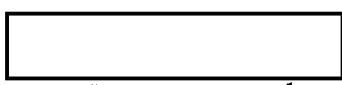
1. The members of Task Force 16 have even attempted to list the objectives which the ORC Consultants were probably trying to attain in their recommendations concerning the Map Library and FDD. At our last meeting most of us agreed that the following statement probably summarizes the objectives of the consultants:

Objective: To establish a central reference service that could attack the entire reference problem in a dynamic manner and develop a rational program for the development of the reference system.

We agreed that this objective was a desirable one and that it contained three essential elements: (1) a central reference point for services to the users of a reference system; (2) a rational reference program covering all important reference assets in the Agency; and (3) a "dynamic" approach.

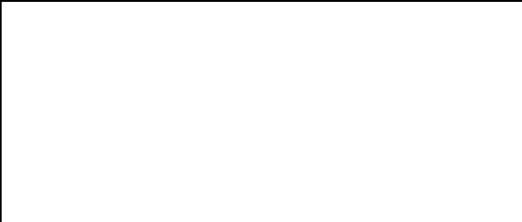
2. We agreed that the "dynamic" approach was beyond the scope of the Task Force, but that any organizational and procedural arrangements established for the Agency's reference assets should not interfere with the "dynamic" approach.

3. We also agreed that there might well be several different methods by which the consultant's objectives might be obtained, and that we should develop alternative ways to achieve the objective as the next phase in our study.


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